



Council Report

To: The Honorable Mayor and City Council

From: Natasha Colebrook-Williams, Chief of Staff *Ncw*

Date: April 28, 2015

RE: **FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES 2015 URBAN AND COMMUNITY FORESTRY GRANT PROGRAM**

RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Mayor and City Council approve the attached resolution authorizing the submittal of an application and the City Manager and City Attorney to negotiate and execute an agreement between the city of North Miami and the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services for the 2015 Urban and Community Forestry Grant.

BACKGROUND

The City will request a grant in the amount of \$20,000 with a required in-kind match of \$20,000 for a total project cost in the amount of \$40,000. Funds will be used to implement the strategies identified in the adopted Downtown Action/Concept Plan by planting trees in the downtown North Miami area. The recommended tree species for the North Miami Downtown are Oak, Gumbo Limbo, and Mahogany.

ATTACHMENTS

Resolution

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION OF THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER AND CITY ATTORNEY TO NEGOTIATE AND EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI AND THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND CONSUMER SERVICES FOR A GRANT FROM THE NATIONAL URBAN AND COMMUNITY FORESTRY PROGRAM; PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE AND FOR ALL OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City administration of the City North Miami ("City") is desirous of applying for and securing a National Urban and Community Forestry Program grant from the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services; and

WHEREAS, the City is requesting a grant in the amount of Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) in grant funds with a required Twenty Thousand Dollars (\$20,000.00) in-kind match from the City for a total project cost in the amount of Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000.00); and

WHEREAS, the funds will be used to implement the strategies identified in the adopted Downtown Action/Concept Plan by planting trees in the downtown North Miami area.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT DULY RESOLVED BY THE MAYOR AND CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH MIAMI, FLORIDA:

Section 1. Authorization of Application. The Mayor and City Council of the City of North Miami, Florida, hereby authorize the submission of the City of North Miami's application for a grant from the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services National Urban and Community Forestry Program.

Section 2. Authority to City Manager and City Attorney. The City Manager and City Attorney are hereby authorized to negotiate and execute an agreement between the City of North Miami, Florida and the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

Section 3. Effective Date. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon adoption.

PASSED AND ADOPTED by a _____ vote of the Mayor and City Council of the
City of North Miami, Florida, this _____ day of _____, 2015.

DR. SMITH JOSEPH
MAYOR

ATTEST:

MICHAEL A. ETIENNE, ESQ.
CITY CLERK

APPROVED AS TO FORM
AND LEGAL SUFFICIENCY:

REGINE M. MONESTIME
CITY ATTORNEY

SPONSORED BY: CITY ADMINISTRATION

Moved by: _____

Seconded by: _____

Vote:

Mayor Smith Joseph, D.O., Pharm.D.
Vice Mayor Carol Keys, Esq.
Councilman Scott Galvin
Councilman Philippe Bien-Aime
Councilwoman Marie Erlande Steril, MSW

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